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GOVERNOR GENERAL COMMENDS THE AMERICAN NAVAL POLICY.

ESSENTIAL TO HIGH STATUS

Says Australians Must Build Their Own Navy and Become a World Power, Irrespective of Great Britain.

MELBOURNE, Sept. 2.—Speaking at the dinner tendered to Rear Admiral Sperry and the senior officers of the American battleship fleet at the Royal Yacht Club tonight Alfred Deakin, the premier said: "The appearance of the American fleet indicates that it is on no holiday cruise. Its arrival marks for us no was given in a spirit of deepest earnestness after sober consideration, and the concessions made by the American government in sending the fleet here is perhaps the most generous made in recent time by one nation to another. The American battleships show the last word in the art of naval construction and the lesson to Australians is that America was unable to take a first place in the world until the country had a first class navy, because until then, only able to protest verbally against outside injustices, and injury, so Australia can not be content to ultimately accept defense at any other hands than its own and should begin provision for

its own navy in a modest way." Heavy rains prevailed throughout last night but at noon today the weather had partially cleared and great contingents of officers and men of the American fleet visited Ballarat and Bendigo.

Admiral Sperry and his staff, together with a large number of officers and nearly 2500 men of the fleet went out to the race track at Flemington. Admiral Sperry was the guest of the governor, Sir Thomas Gibson-Carmichael.

The officers lunched at the club while the men were furnished tables of which they partook in the open air. A baseball game was played in the afternoon the nines being composed of Victorians and sailors respectively. In the evening there was a state reception and concert in the exhibition building and a smoking concert for the sailors and marines in the town hall.

FOR CHEAP INSURANCE.

Plan To Offer It At Very Low Rates To The Poor.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—Backed by the millions of the Sage Foundation, to which Mrs. Russell Sage has already turned over \$10,000,000 for elevating the economic condition of the poor, trustees of the fund are engaged in investigation which may result in an extensive plan in providing life insurance below cost to those who recognize the benefit of such insurance, but who may not be able to afford the luxury of life insurance at the rate charged by the big companies.

Since the middle of last June, Dr. Leo Franklin, who is well known in charitable organization work, has been in Europe as the agent of the Sage Foundation, studying the practical operation of governmental life insurance as practiced by the German

and other governments. Dr. Franklin's associate in this work is Miles M. Dawson, actuarial expert of the Armstrong legislative committee which with Governor Hughes, assistant organizer brought out the extraordinary investigations in 1905 and laid out the foundations which have revolutionized the business of life insurance in this state.

DENIES CORONER'S RIGHT.

Suit Brought In New York For Heavy Damages Against Physician.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—Denying the right of a coroner's physician to perform an autopsy when it is not necessary to determine the cause of death, and denying particularly the right of the physician to remove the organs of a body even though that action may add to the medical knowledge of the world, Mrs. Mary Hassard, has brought action against Dr. Timothy D. Lehane for \$25,000 damages.

Mrs. Hassard's son, Francis, 29 years old, died on April 2, 1907 as a result of an injury sustained by falling from a coach. Mrs. Hassard alleges in her complaint that immediately after that, without warrant in law and without her knowledge, or permission, Dr. Lehane performed an autopsy and did not return to the body the heart and spleen after he removed them.

It is said the spleen is of extraordinary size, weighing more than 13 pounds, and that it has been viewed by many physicians.

Mrs. Hassard's daughter says that she saw these organs in Dr. Lehane's home and he told her that he had retained them in the interests of medical science. When Dr. Lehane received the complaint he took it to the corporation counsel, who will defend the case. In the answer served on Mrs. Hassard's counsel, Dr. Lehane makes a general denial of the charges.

PUGILISTS TO FIGHT IN CLASS CONTESTS

THREE RING FIGHTS TO COME OF IN CALIFORNIA NEXT WEEK

ABE MORAN TO MEET ATTEL

The Other Two Matches Are Between Stanley Ketchel and Billy Papke, and Battling Nelson Versus Joe Gans.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—Three pugilistic contests, each involving the championship of its respective class, will be decided in California next week. One of them is an international match between Owen Moran, the English champion, and Abe Attel, the holder of the featherweight title in America. The other two are between Stanley Ketchel and Billy Papke for the middleweight championship and Battling Nelson and Joe Gans for the lightweight title. In every case the fights are what might be termed as return matches, as all have met their respective opponents in a previous battle.

Ketchel and Papke and Moran and Attel will fight on September 7, the former two at Los Angeles and the latter at San Francisco both contests taking place in the afternoon. Two days later, September 9, Joe Gans and Battling Nelson will meet for the third time, this fight also taking place in the afternoon. Not since the famous boxing carnival at New Or-

leans in 1890, when Jim Corbett won the championship from John L. Sullivan have so many important ring engagements been scheduled to come off within three days.

The boxers are all declared to be fit at this time and tickets have already been placed on sale in this city and Los Angeles for the two fights occurring on September 7 Labor Day. Joe Gans, who lost the lightweight championship to Nelson July 4, is now declared to be in much better physical shape than when he was doing his preparatory work for the last previous engagement. The betting, however, so far as it has developed is favoring Nelson, the odds being 10 to 8. Ketchel is a very strong favorite over Papke and in the Moran-Attel battle the American rules favorite at 10 to 9.

SALT LAKE THE PLACE.

TOLEDO, O., Sept. 2.—The next annual encampment of the G. A. R., unless there are unexpected developments at the encampment meeting Thursday, will be held at Salt Lake City, Utah. Washington, D. C., does not want it because that city will have the inauguration in the spring; Pittsburg will want it in 1910 when the new memorial building is ready for dedication. Atlanta, Ga., is making no effort to secure it and Seattle is in favor of Salt Lake. This situation leaves the Utah city the only candidate for the honor.

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A NEW SULTAN.

LLALLA, Maghnia, Algeria, Sept. 2.—Muhai Hafid has been proclaimed sultan at Ujda, near the Moroccan border line, amid much popular rejoicing.

Of Interest To Many.

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